

Baltimore February 24-1818

Sir
I have the honor to transmit to your Excellency the enclosed Copy of a Resolution lately adopted by the General Assembly of Maryland.

I respectfully invite your attention to the remedy sought by this Resolution for the evils there mentioned. I presume it is unnecessary that I should trouble you with the inconveniences in detail, which the citizens of Maryland too frequently suffer by the employment and protection given to their runaway Slaves in Delaware, and in the recovery of them when discovered.

The mode here proclaimed in the Resolution, although in contravention of your laws, are so often practised and so justly complained of by the people of Maryland that in pursuance of the duty assigned me, I beg leave to present your consideration the necessity of some more efficient provision of law for their remedy. In the hope that these vexatious grievances will meet the correcting Wisdom and Justice of your Excellency, and that of the Legislature of Delaware. I am
To the Governor of Delaware and Pennsylvania. Charles Ridgely of Hamp

Sir

Baltimore March the 9-1818

Having received information that a certain Orange Bush who has been indicted in Baltimore City Court at February Term last for kidnaping a certain freeman of color on the thirty first day of January eighteen hundred and eighteen, has fled from the Justice of this State to the State of Pennsylvania and is concealed in York Pa. I do therefore in the name of the Executive Authority of the State of Maryland to demand of your Excellency that the said Orange Bush be delivered up to Mr Robert Gott who is appointed the Agent of the Executive Authority of the State of Maryland to receive the said Orange Bush and remove him to this State for your Excellency's satisfaction. I do myself the honor to transmit to you the authentic Copy of an Indictment on which this application is founded. I am
His Excellency the Governor of Pennsylvania Charles Ridgely of Hampton

Sir

Council Member Annapolis March 1818

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor, and the Honourable the Council to request that you would be pleased to communicate to them in what manner you think the object of the enclosed Resolution could be carried into effect and to inform you that they will receive with great pleasure any remarks or suggestions that you may deem it necessary to make. I have the honor to be
The Reverend Nathl H. Shaw.

Nathan Parshurey
Clerk of the Council